IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 19, 1848. Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Johnson, of Louisiana, from the Committee on Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Searing, one of the children of Mary Allen, deceased, who was widow of the late John Allen, report:

That the petition in this case is not accompanied by the slightest evidence in support of the claim. But, in answer to an application to the Commissioner of Pensions, he reports that the law of the 7th July, 1838, under which the deceased claimed a pension, gives the pension to no one who was married after 1793; that the affidavits filed in his office to show that the marriage in this case took place on a certain day in 1793, do not establish the fact in a satisfactory manner; that, upon the production of satisfactory evidence, a pension may be obtained at his office without the necessity of a special act of Congress.

The committee recommend, therefore, the adoption of the fol-

lowing resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

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